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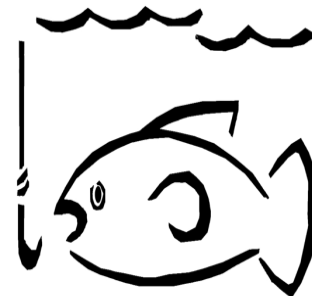
AUBURN SPORTSMAN'S CLUB

50 Elm Street, Auburn, Ma



Upcoming Events

- 05/03/14 & 05/04/14 – Two Nations Pow Wow (begins 10am each day)
- 05/04/14 – Youth/Jr Fly Fishing Class Registration Deadline
- 05/06/14 – Tuesday Night Trap begins (6pm)
- 05/08/14 – Trout Pond Stocking (6pm)
- 05/14/14 – Wednesday Night Horseshoes begins (6pm)
- 05/17/14 – Fly Derby (7am – 11am)
- 05/18/14 – Spring Open Derby (7am – 12pm)
- 05/19/14 – Monthly ASC Meeting (7pm – all members welcome)
- 05/25/14 – Annual Memorial Day Archery 3D Shoot



Trout – Glenn Standing

Get your tickets in before May 18. Stocking is May 8th at 6pm come and help. The pond will be closed May 10th till May 17th. The kids fly fishing class is May 10th youth and junior members are free. The Fly Derby is on May 17th 7am -11am, catch and release. The Spring open derby is on May 18th 7am to 12 noon, catch and keep. The kitchen will be open for the spring open derby. June 8th is the kids kiver derby, all kids 12 and under are welcome to come. 9am-11am. Ugly fish hornpout derby is July 12, 7pm-11pm. Be there!

Thanks and keep a tight line.
- Glenn S

Note: Trout fundraiser tickets are available at the ASC lounge and in the April 2014 edition of the ASC Newsletter (<http://www.auburnsportsmansclub.com/newsletter/archive.html>)

Hunter's Education

Upcoming courses @ the ASC:

- August 2014 Basic Hunter's Education course: 08/19, 08/21, 08/23, 08/25. Must be present for all sessions.
- August 2014 Basic Bow Education course: 08/17.

Horseshoes

The 2014 season begins this month. Meets are 6pm every Wednesday beginning 5/14, 10 weeks. \$20.00 per person for season, includes end of season banquet meal

Bird Banding

- Saturdays and Sundays 6am. Meets on the ASC clubhouse patio. Runs until migration.

Passing: Former club member Phil St. George passed away at the end of March.

Archery – Ron Kazlauskas

We held our first 3-D Shoot of the season on Easter Sunday. Fifty-five archers showed up to tackle the course. Our next shoot will be on Sunday, May 25. This is our Annual Memorial Day shoot where all military and veterans shoot for free. Course set up will be on Friday, May 23. Check the bulletin board for times and work party dates. The sweatshirts for the Indoor League are in. Contact Mark Goodwin or me to make arrangements to pick them up.
That's all for now. Shoot straight.

Trap – Bruce Bent

We First, I want to send a special thanks to Mike Stearns his for his help in repairing the entrance to the trap range. Thanks Frank. It is still saturated down there to the point where Artie cancelled a black powder event to protect our little piece of the planet. Thanks to you both.
Okay, a date has finally been set for Tuesday night trap. We will be lining up once again May 06 2014 at 6:00pm. Pass the word. You guys have been asking about this since February. This is a night that only gets better as the weather gets warmer. Bring your "A Game" and leave your feelings at home. The Tuesday night crew means business.

May Range/Pond Closures

- 05/03 & 05/04: Archery Range – closed for Pow Wow
- 05/10 & 05/11: Rifle/Pistol Ranges - closed for repair
- 05/10 - 05/17: Trout Pond – closed
- 05/18: Trap Range – closed for Trout Derby
- 05/25: Trap/Rifle/Pistol Ranges – closed for Archery 3D shoot

Rifle/Pistol – Jon Owens

Range hours are Monday – Saturday 8am to sunset and Sunday 1pm to sunset. Please be sure to have your member pin in a visible location and your signed member card on your personage when using any of the ranges.

Both the rifle and pistol ranges will be closed for repair/rebuild on Saturday May 10th and Sunday May 11th. Those interested in helping, please send your name and contact information to info@auburnsportsmansclub.com

Pistol & Rifle Committee Handgun Pin Shoot Dates 2014

Practice Shoot	Pin Shoot
May 20 5:30pm	May 24 9am to 1pm
June 17 5:30pm	June 21 9am to 1pm
July 22 5:30pm	July 26 9am to 1pm
Aug 5 5:30pm	Aug 9 9am to 1pm
FINAL SHOOT OFF	
Sept 16 5:30pm	Sept 20 9am to 1pm
Note: First Round off at 9:00am sharp; for all shots. Sign up at 8:30am. Ear and eye protection required.	

The 3rd annual Jack Poissant "shot that Made You Famous" Pool Tournament held on April 5th and April 6th was blast! Congratulations go out to the winning team, Bernie and LeeAnn. A big thank you to all participants. Lots of food, laughs and good hearted heckling. All proceeds go to the Kids Kiver fishing derby in Jack's name.

17th Annual Two Nation's Pow Wow

May 3rd – 4th, 2014
Begins 10am each day ~ Parking: \$5.00
Native American Food ~ Ladies Frying Pan Toss
Circle opens at 11:30am and closes 5:30pm on Saturday, 5:00pm on Sunday

Got time to volunteer? Send your name, member #, areas where you can assist and preferred contact information to info@auburnsportsmansclub.com.



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May 2014 Newsletter

****President's Message**** – Jim Nishan

The tickets for the June 14th game dinner are in. They can be purchased in the lounge, from myself or Gary Prey. Noontime start with a roast pig and some major violations of your diet to follow over the next few hours. Still \$25.00 donation per ticket.

Bids are coming in to repave the parking lot around the club and to fix the range road. It appears at this point to be an extremely expensive project. I was on the range road this morning and found it quite passable in my truck. Smaller vehicles may have more issues with the present condition of the road. I have heard many complaints but have not seen anyone parking by the trap range and walking in. Somewhere in the past years we have lost or stopped using our commonsense. Not too long ago it was accepted practice that the range road would be closed periodically at the chairman's discretion to prevent exactly what has occurred. I have suggested to the range chairperson that it may be time to relook at the past closure practice from mid-March to the end of mud season whenever heavy rains caused problems.

Just an additional reminder that driving one's vehicle out onto soft grassy areas during wet conditions damages the property and could be quite embarrassing as others make light of your predicament. It is also costly to pay for the tow truck to haul you out to solid land.

Now onto subjects I want to talk about. The pepper spray legalization bill was placed as an amendment into the domestic violence reform bill. According to my sources it has been passed by the House and is expected to pass the Senate quickly. I have heard a rumor that the governor might veto the bill. Please note that I have not been able to find any evidence to support the rumor.

Dave Morin representing the Worcester County League testified recently in support of a bill to allow Sunday bow hunting. DFW Assistant Director John O'Leary is fleshing out a proposal for a Youth Deer Hunt to be held the fourth Saturday after Labor Day. DFW Bear Project Leader Laura Conlee advises that based on available data there are 4,000 to 4,500 black bears in the state and that numbers and range are expanding. I have heard that there may soon be bow bear season concurrent with the archery deer season. Stay tuned on that one.

Two new nesting eagle pairings have settled in Worcester County.
With Respect: Nish

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****Worcester County League**** – Craig Cortis

The April League meeting was held 4/18/14 at the Nimrod League of Holden club. Guest speaker Bill Davis, Central District Supervisor for Mass. F & W, reported that beavers are expanding their range into coastal plain areas of southeastern Mass. in Bristol and Plymouth Counties and are occupying marginal habitat elsewhere. This suggests that beavers are now at, or near, the biological "carrying capacity" of many places they inhabit. Bill also said that, based on the latest data available, there are currently somewhere between 4,000 to 4,500 black bears in Mass. with both their numbers and range increasing. A special youth deer hunt has been proposed for the 4th Saturday after Labor Day. This would be a one-day extension of the shotgun season to accommodate young people from ages 12 to 18; at this stage the idea is only a proposal, put forth by F & W Assistant Director John O'Leary.

F & W has recently started hosting special "round table" meetings to which organizations like the Worc. County League, other County Leagues, the Mass. Council, Mass. Trappers, G.O.A.L., Trout Unlimited, etc. are invited so as to give input and representative commentary on matters under consideration before the 7-person F & W Board. Such meetings are not the regular monthly board meetings which are open to the public. W.C.L. president, Ron Amidon, and 1st vice-president, Dave Morin, attended one of these round tables recently to participate in a discussion regarding a suggested archery-only bear season, which would run with the deer season. Concerns over public access to D.C.R. properties, including right-to-carry and hunting ability within certain such areas, were also a topic at the meeting. Dave Morin also attended an open hearing at the State House during which he testified on behalf of a proposed bill to allow Sunday bow hunting of deer. Dave reported that his speech was well received by legislators present and that it seemed he had their full attention. (A lady who'd planned on speaking in rebuttal apparently decided against it and did not rise to argue against Dave Morin's testimony.)

Don't forget: Mass. House Bill 750, which would transfer authority to issue beaver trapping permits from local Boards of Health over to Mass. F & W, is now in Senate Ways and Means in Boston, currently chaired by Sen. Steve Brewer of Barre. Phone calls urging action on and passage of this important bill need to be placed to our legislators, and those contacts count! Next W.C.L. meeting is 5/16/14 at 8-Point Sportsmen's Club in Sterling, 7:30 p.m.

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ASC Lounge Hours:

Monday	1pm – 8pm*	Wednesday	1pm – 9pm*	Friday & Saturday	& 12pm – 10pm*
Tuesday	1pm – 9pm*	Thursday	1pm – 9pm*	Sunday	12pm – 8pm*

* **Club rules apply after**